

## RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF JOSEPH "JOEY" DESA, III, IN THE AREA OF BASEBALL BY NAMING THE LANAKILA PARK BASEBALL FIELD THE JOEY DESA FIELD.

WHEREAS, Joseph "Joey" DeSa, III, gave a lifetime of love, dedication and personal sacrifice to the game of baseball, both in the State of Hawaii and at the national and international level; and

WHEREAS, Joey DeSa started his baseball career at the age of five as a bat boy at Lanakila Park; and

WHEREAS, Joey DeSa played in all levels of Police Activities League competition at Lanakila Park from the ages six through sixteen, and was chosen yearly to its all-star teams; and

WHEREAS, Joey DeSa played four years of varsity baseball at Damien Memorial High School and, in 1977, won the coveted Golden Moments Award as the State's Player of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Joey DeSa went on to play ten years of professional baseball, seven of which were at the Triple A level, and continued to improve himself by playing off-season winter baseball; and

WHEREAS, Joey DeSa was on the brink of fulfilling his lifetime dream of achieving full major league status when his ambitions were cut short in a fatal automobile accident; and

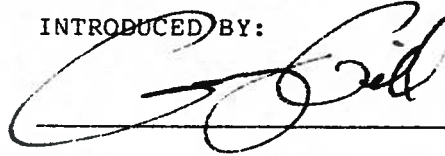
WHEREAS, Joey DeSa's admirable perseverance and sense of purpose serve as an inspiration for all young athletes, and as a particular source of pride to his ethnic Puerto Rican community, and all those who frequent Lanakila Park field; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, in recognition of the many contributions and lifetime of commitment Joey DeSa made to baseball in the State of Hawaii, and especially the baseball program at Lanakila Park, that the baseball field at Lanakila Park be named the Joey DeSa Field; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, Director of Parks and Recreation, the Puerto Rican Heritage Society of Hawaii, the United Puerto Rican Association of Hawaii, Inc., the Hispano/American Cultural Exchange and Rediscovery Society, and the Hispanic Cultural Association of Hawaii.

INTRODUCED BY:



Councilmembers

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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### CITY COUNCIL

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU  
HONOLULU, HAWAII

I hereby certify that the foregoing RESOLUTION was adopted by the COUNCIL OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU on the date and by the vote indicated to the right.

ATTEST:

  
RAYMOND K. PUA  
CITY CLERK

  
ARNOLD MORGADO JR.  
CHAIR AND PRESIDING OFFICER

Dated DEC 2 1987

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